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Title: MANUFACTURABLE CHROMELESS ALTERNATING PHASE SHIFT MASK STRUCTURE WITH PHASE GRATING

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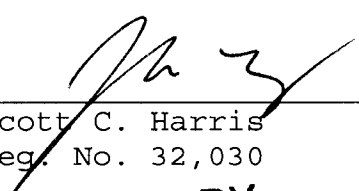
COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

It is agreed that the limitations recited in the examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not taught or suggested by the art of record, and that the allowed independent claims are distinguished from the cited prior art for at least the reasons stated in the Reasons for Allowance. Application does not concede that the stated reasons are the only grounds for patentability of the allowed claims, that the limitations excluded from the Reasons for Allowance are taught or suggested by the art of record, or that all of the limitations are necessary for patentability of the allowed claims or other claims directed to the disclosed subject matter. For example, other claims including different limitations are patentable over the cited prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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